aegis to establish and manage the model schools.

Additional flights from Jammu to Srinagar

274. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to arrange daily additional flights from Jammu to Srinagar during winter to cope up with the rush of passengers; and

(b) whether Government also propose to subsidise air-fare on the Jammu-Srinagar route as is being done in North Eastern Sector?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) No, Sir. While scheduled flights from Jammu to Srinagar are not proposed to be increased, Indian Airlines does operate additional flights from time to time, when there is heavy passenger demand.

(b) No, Sir.

Non-clearance of runway at Srinagar airport

275. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that complaints were made by the people about non-clearance of runway at Srinagar airport and negligent conduct of the the authorities of the Department of Civil Aviation during the recent unprecedented snow-fall in the last week of December, 1985;

(b) whether any inquiry has been conducted in the matter and its results; and

(c) whether it is fact that no snow clearance machinery is available at Srinagar airport, if so, whether Government propose to take steps to supplement it with the said machinery?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. A few complaints were received in this regard and the matter was looked into. Srinagar airport belongs to the Air Force. Srinagar experienced unprecedented snow-fall from the 25th to the 28th of December, 1985. Although snow clearance work was done continuously by the Air Force Authorities, heavy snow-fall did not permit landing and take-off of any aircraft at Srinagar airport during this period.

(c) No, Sir. Adequate arrangements for snow clearance work exist.

Black marketing of tickets by Srinagar Airport Authorities

276. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR. Wlil the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that complaints were made by people and press about black marketing and underhand sale of air tickets by Srinagar airport authorities during the recent snow- fall, if so, whether any inquiry was conducted; and

(b) if so, what are the findings thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. The complaints are under investigation by the CBI.

Vayudoot services in Jammu and Kashmir

277. SHRI GHULAM RASOOL KAR: Will the Minister of TRANSPORT be pleased to refer to the reply to Unstarred Question 505 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 20th November, 1985 and state what are the reasons for not implementing the decision for starting Vayudoot services from Jammu to Rajouri-Poonch, Srinagar, Kargil and Leh?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): In the reply given to Rajya Sabha Unstarred Question 505 on the 20th of November, 1985, it was stated that Vayudoot had plans to airilnk Rajouri, Poonch and Kishtwar subject to economic viability and availability

of infrastructure. There was no mention of Srinagar, Kargil and Leh.

Clearance to operate to the Defence-owned air-fields at Rajouri and Poonch is awaited. Srinagar and Leh are already airlinked by Indian Airlines services. Kargil is at an elevation of 9575 ft. and Vayudoot does not have suitable aircraft for operation to such high altitudes.

Unrecognised technical institutes in Delhi

278. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:
SHRI VIRENDRA VERMA:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Board of Technical Education, Delhi during a recent inspection found that ninety per cent of the technical educational institutes being run in Delhi are unrecognised and are defrauding the student community;

(b) if so, what are the details in this regard;

(c) whether any inquiry has been conducted to know how such a large number of technical institutes have been allowed to thrive in Delhi; and

(d) if so, what is the result thereof and what action has been taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No, Sir, No such survey has been undertaken so far by the Board of Technical Education, Delhi.

(b) to (d) Question do not arise

UNESCO resolution for eradication of illiteracy

279. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH: Will the Minister of HUAMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that a resolution has been adopted by the UNESCO sponsored Inter-National seminar recently held in Delhi to prepare a plan of action to help member states to eradicate illiteracy by the year 2000;

(b) whether Government have formulated any long-term plan to eradicate illiteracy from the country; and

(c) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) No such resolution has been adopted in the UNESCO sponsored Regional Training Workshop in Literacy held in New Delhi from 23rd October, 1985 to 4th November, 1985. The objective of the Workshop was to strengthen the training programmes of litracy personnel of the Member States.

(b) and (c) Government of India have accorded high priority to the Adult Education Programme which envisages removal of illiteracy in the age group 15—35 by 1990. In order to achieve the goal, a substantial step-up of Education Programme has been planned through the following on-going schemes:—

(i) Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rural Functional Literacy Projects (RFLP);

(ii) Central Scheme of Assistance of Voluntary Agencies working in the field of adult education;

(iii) State Sector Scheme of State Adult Education Programme (SAEP);

(iv) Adult Education Programme by Universities and Colleges; and

(v) Adult Education through Shramik Vidyapeeths.

The Adult Education Programme has been reviewed in the context of formulation of New Education Policy. A draft of the New Education Policy will be placed before Parliament.